

TARTAR, NORTH HIGH NINES GRAB WINS

NHS Thinclads Fall In Three-Way Trackfest



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Hanon, Mills In Two-Hitter

Bob Clifford and Mike Bertolet both whacked booming triples to help Torrance club Redondo, 8-4, Thursday in the second Bay League game of the term for both nines. The game was played on the losers' field and left the Tartars 1-1 in league play; Redondo 0-2.

Tomorrow the Torrance nine battles Leuzinger in another Bay go at Leuzinger. The Olympians topped Mira Costa, 5-2, in a close Thursday.

Bertolet's three-baser capped a three-run third inning that sent the Tartars out ahead, 3-0. But the Redondoans came right back to score thrice in their half of the third. A pair of errors at second by Sherwood, Tiernan settled the Seahawk cause as they chased Jess Hanon and Coach Dave Dana brought home Tom Mills for the Tartars.

Hanon was effective and was breezing along without difficulty when his support betrayed him.

Score Three Again
The Tartars were silenced by Seahawk Jack Beattie's right-handed slants until the sixth, when Clifford's big blow topped another three-run outburst. A single by Toby Venable and John Emery's double, plus an infield bobbie by Redondo, brought home the Tartars' final two runs in the top of the seventh.

Mills and Hanon combined to give up only two hits to the Hawks. And they could well have had a shutout if the Tartars' three errors hadn't come at crucial times.

The Seahawks didn't do Beattie any favors either, as they committed seven errors in the behind his hurling. He was touched for 11 hits by the THS nine, three by Clifford and two each by Bertolet and Emery.

Clifford Solves Problem
Clifford's appearance in center field settled Dana's problem of acquiring a speedy middle gardener. The swift left hander came up with some fine running catches and kept Redondo runners at bay with his rifle arm.

Torrance (8)	AB	R	H	E
Valencia, ss	4	2	1	0
Tiernan, 2b	2	1	1	2
Mills, p	0	0	0	0
Clifford, cf	3	1	3	0
Crenshaw, 1b	4	0	0	1
Bertolet, lf	4	0	2	0
Custer, rf	1	0	0	0
Venable, rd	2	1	0	0
Emery, 3b	4	1	2	0
Grajeda, c	3	1	0	0
Hanon, p	4	1	1	0
	33	8	11	3

Redondo (4)	AB	R	H	E
R. Carlson, cf	4	0	0	0
Cook, c	2	1	0	0
Frye, 1b	4	0	0	2
Valencia, ss	3	0	0	3
R. Carlson, rf	4	1	0	0
Iwahn, lf	1	1	0	0

Vetre, lf	0	0	0	0
Delgado, 2b	1	1	1	1
Beattie, p	1	0	1	0
Combs, 3b	3	0	1	0
	23	4	2	7

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Redondo	003	001	0-4	2	7

Hanon, Mills and Grajeda; Beattie and Cook.

LAST-INNING RALLY GIVES NHS 3-2 WIN

Everything went right at once as the Saxons put together seven straight innings of heads-up ball Thursday when they topped El Segundo in a come-from-behind, 3-2, Pioneer League thriller at El Segundo.

The win put the locals at 1-3 in league play with probably their roughest loop test coming up Thursday. They will travel to Inglewood for a Pioneer game with Morningside.

Ron Anderson was the master Thursday as he twirled a neat four-hitter at the Eagles. And his mates played superb ball, committing only one error. They had to be sharp since the El Segundo club was on the beam, too.

The Saxons talked twice in a hair-raising top of the seventh rally to eke out the win. Altogether the locals banged out nine hits off Schroeder, Eagle pitcher.

Coach Del Nuzum's boys went one down in the last half of the second inning, when El Segundo touched Anderson for their first run.

The Saxons evened up things in the third when they tallied once and El Segundo got one in their half of the sixth to set the stage for the last-ditch rally by the Saxon nine.

In other Pioneer League games Thursday Culver City bopped Morningside 6-4, pinning the first loop defeat on the Monarchs, while Beverly Hills' Dave Weiner tossed a one-hitter in pacing the Normans to a 4-0 win over Hawthorne.

North High, 0-1 0-0 2-3 9-1
El Segundo, 0-1 0-1 0-2 4-1
Anderson and Bledsoe; Schroeder and Campbell.

CAPITAL CITY
Guatemala City is the capital of Guatemala.



GETS FACE LIFTED... Here's Babe Ruth diamond parking lot, which will be re-surfaced today and tomorrow by city in preparation for opening of league play in about a month. Park also will host state tournament so a number of improvements will take place in the near future, a league representative said Saturday. Workmen are busy now constructing concession stand, at left, and also painting stands of neighboring Little League Park, at right.

Olympian Golf Squad Scores Win Over THS

Leuzinger's golfers reversed their Monday loss to the Tartar linksmen by easily beating Coach Joe Stuart's clubbers, 29-264, Friday in a non-league match at Western Ave. Course.

The Olympians, who topped Torrance last year for the Bay League title, suffered their only setback last Monday when the locals outshot them, 273-277.

Today the Tartar sextet meets Washington High of Los Angeles in a practice outing at Western. Friday the locals launch their 1956 Bay League slate, meeting Redondo at Palms Verdes Golf Club. The Tartars have already beaten Redondo twice this season.

Bruce Bliefel carded a 41 to

Tennis Club Slates Meeting Wednesday

The monthly meeting of the Hollywood Riviera section of the Torrance Tennis Club will be held Wednesday at El Retiro Park at 8 p.m. Sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Dept., the group is in the process of adopting a constitution and by-laws, and setting up court rules for use of the El Retiro Courts.

Membership is open to anyone interested in playing tennis and in promoting the game among the children of Torrance.

top Torrance golfers, but he was bested by Mofson, Leuzinger ace, who came through the nine holes in 38.

Ron Hase and Denny Stewart had 42 for the Tartars, while Doug Mills shot a 45. Jerry Thrall and Steve Sherry, who rounded out the Torrance six-man team, each had a 46.

The loss was the fourth suffered by the locals, so far in practice rounds. They have won eight matches.

Ump School On Tonight

A school for potential baseball and softball umpires will have the first of its three sessions tonight at the Wilmington Hall, 435 Neptune, in Wilmington.

The session originally was scheduled for Anderson Memorial Field in San Pedro, but was switched to the Wilmington site last week. Umpires who complete the course will be sanctioned by the Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation to work games in the South Bay area.

Any persons interested in the classes, sponsored by the Harbor District of the Los Angeles Recreation and Parks Department and the Torrance Recreation Department, are asked to be on hand at the first session tonight. Other information concerning the school may be obtained by calling Elmer Moon, at the local recreation office.

Softball Teams May Apply for Loop Play

Local sponsors or managers of 12 softball teams, who may desire to enter a team in the Torrance Recreation Department League this season, are urged to meet in the recreation office, 1347 El Prado, at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation rule books will be distributed.

Local rules and conditions of play will be discussed and applications for league membership will be accepted during the meeting according to Elmer "Red" Moon, city athletic director.

The Nile is said to be the longest river in all Africa.

Managers For Babe Ruth League Named

Managers and sponsors were assigned at a recent meeting of the Babe Ruth League, which will begin 1956 regular season play sometime late in May, a loop official said Saturday.

Teams, managers and sponsors are Solons, Al Moore; Drake Realty; Beavers, Ed Bell and Bob Pollock; Torrance Sand and Gravel; Seals, Bill Dorman, Les Bacon Ford; Oaks, Joe Venable, Azusa Ford and Sand; Stars, John Weaver, 7-Up; Rainiers, Lyle Hanon, Gaines Co.; Angels, Joe Kling, Sav-Mart; Padres, Charles Meisinger, Torrance Exchange Club; Dons, Ed Fox, no sponsor; Mounties, R. Schoendienst and E. Hogue, no sponsor.

Eight teams were in the loop last year, but the league has expanded to take on the two additional squads, the Dons and Mounties.

The parking strip at the Babe Ruth diamond, Plaza del Año near Western Ave., is being black-topped this week by the city. The field has been designated as the site for the state play-offs this year and it will be dressed up as much as possible, the league spokesman said.

Work still is going on at the field, painting and getting the grounds in readiness for the coming season. All parents of Babe Ruth League boys are asked to lend their help, he said.

The annual Pancake Breakfast to raise additional funds for the loop's operation, has been set for April 28 at Roth's Market from 9 a.m. to noon.

Harness Meeting Concludes Thursday With Californian

It's "Get-away Week" at the Santa Anita harness races! Western Harness Racing Association drops the curtain on its 22-day spring season this week with an abbreviated three-day get-away week. Harness racing concludes on Thursday, with the third edition of the \$15,000-added Californian race highlighting the final day's activity.

The Long Beach Trofand and the Santa Anita Pace, both \$3000-added affairs, come up for decision this week, being scheduled for tomorrow and Wednesday, respectively.

A dozen or more distinguished sidewheelers will clash in the Californian to decide the pacing champion of the current meeting.

Given the best chance to win the rich race are Blanche Bessinger's Blue Goose, William Bloodworth's Andiamo, Clark & Harman's Scotch Dean, Cyrus Bell's Scottish Chief and last year's winner, Freeman Hanover, who carries the colors of William Lachenmaier of Shafter, Calif.

Freeman Hanover paced the mile route of the Californian in 2:00 flat last spring to capture the race and all indications point to the fact that the winner will have to go just as fast this year.

Tomorrow's racing program will be featured by the return to action of the undefeated Smiling Boy, who will be going for his 15th straight victory in the Long Beach Trot.

Lovelady's Cage Team Drops Tilt

Lovelady's Hardware cage team, made up of sophomores and junior cagers at Torrance High, lost to an Inglewood team, 36-35, in the opening of a spring league at Compton last week.

Forward Jerry Mathews had 11 points to pace the Torrance five, while Ron Lovelady, center, bucketed 8. Fanny Markham, THS mentor, is coaching the club.

Boys now competing in spring sports are not eligible for play in the league, but Tartar stars Rich Ruffell, Toby Venable and Mike Bertolet may be added to the team when their spring sport schedules are completed.

Saxon Spikers Downed In Meet

Leuzinger of the Bay League had too much power for North High and Culver City, Pioneer League members, Friday in a three-way trackfest at Culver City as the Olympians won all three classes easily.

Varsity score was 63 for Leuzinger, 46 for Culver and 15 for the Saxons.

SAMOHI, THS TRACK TEAMS IN WARMUP

Santa Monica and Torrance track squads held an informal meet Friday at Santa Monica, the running relay events that will be on the card Thursday and Friday at the Inglewood Relays.

No score was kept of the performances, but Tartar Coaches Jack Miller and Don Porter were pleased with the showing of their Varsity sprint relay teams.

In the four-man 880 relay, Gary Cooke, Duane Cooke, Tom Brown and Dick Bentwood went the distance in 1:33.0 in beating the Samoan quartet. Porter said both he and Miller timed Gary Cooke in 21.2 on the anchor lap.

With Skip Smith running for Bentwood, the Tartar foursome was clocked in 44.6 for the 440 relay.

Smith also won the shot put, getting off one of his better throws of the season. He pushed the 12-pound ball out to 49'1", but will have to be lots sharper Thursday when he faces Inglewood's Gene Metcalf.

Bentwood, Joe Rubco, Duane Cooke and Smith looked good in winning the 480 shuttle hurdle relay, too.

The Tartar four-man 440 relay team of Tom Lorenzo, Gary Von Steeg, Joe Montez and George Boscon came flying home in good time, Porter related, but the exact clocking was not recorded.

Pettit Set At First Base

Still climbing the comeback trail, persistence Paul Pettit is scheduled to hold down the first base for the Hollywood Stars when the Twinks launch their 1956 Pacific Coast League slate tomorrow with Seattle at Gilmore Field.

Pettit, the former Narbonne High pitching whiz, has given up mound work and is trying to make the grade as a distance hitting southpaw slugger. He was given a \$100,000 bonus for signing with the Pittsburgh Pirates a few years back. The Bucs still own Pettit.

A history-making day-night double bill will open the season for the Twinks against the defending champion Suds. Game time is 1:30 p.m. for the day-light contest, while the night fray has been set for 8:15 p.m.

Don Dangleis, former Garfield High of L. A. speedballer, will open on the mound in the nightcap for the Stars, after Ben Wade takes his turn against the Rainiers in the opener.

High Jump—McCullough, C; Schlauch, L; Effie, C; Bald, N. 5'11"

Broad Jump—Brown, L; Place, C; Delatorre, L; Belgt, N. 19'4"

Pole Vault—Dalmier, N. 11'6" (No other places recorded).

880 Relay—Leuzinger, North High, Culver. 1:37.

Bee Score: Leuzinger, 43; Culver City, 41; North High, 22.

Cee Score: Leuzinger, 49 4/5; North High, 34 1/5; Culver City, 10.

Indianapolis Vets Head List Of Midget Entries At Gardena

Johnnie Parsons, Van Nuys, and Troy Ruttman, Lynwood, a pair of Indianapolis winners, head a field of 40, including a dozen other Indianapolis veterans, for Saturday night's 100-lap USAC National Championship midget auto race at Gardena Stadium.

Besides Parsons the 1950 winner, and Ruttman, the 1952 victor, such other Indianapolis veterans as Tony Bettenhausen, Jimmy Davies, Paolonia, Danny Oakes, Beverly Hills; Walt Faulkner, Long Beach; Rodger Ward, Los Angeles; Bill Homer, Paolonia; Ray Crawford, Pasadena; Johnnie Tolan, Norwalk; Frank Am, North Hollywood; Johnny Boyd, Fresno; "Shorty" Templeman, Seattle; and Jimmy Reese, Oklahoma City, are set for the eight event program.

Other top pilots who'll be seeking the winner's share of J. C. Agajanian's \$3000, purse against 40 per cent of the gate include George Amick, Los Angeles; "Bullet" Joe Carson, Eagle Rock; Dempsey Wilson,

Lawndale; Edgar Elder, Fresno; Billy Garrett, Burbank; Rex Easton, Dickie Reese, Earl Motter, Billy Cantrell, Anaheim, and Johnny Blitwin.

Tolan, the 1952 National Midget champion, is currently the hottest "doodle bug" chauffeur. He won last month at Phoenix and took second to Templeman in the season's opener at Bonelli Stadium. A driver, who could make it tough for Johnnie, is Jack Turner, 1954-55 National Midget champion. "Cactus" Jack will be making his first local appearance in defense of his title.

Besides the 19 car, 100-lap feature, the eight event program will consist of four 6-lap heat races, 15-lap semifinal and 2 1/2-lap trophy dash for the four fastest qualifiers. All starts will be inverted with the fastest cars starting in the rear.

Qualifying will get under way at 6:30 o'clock and the trophy dash, the first race on the card, will get Starter Jimmy Jackson's green flag at 8:30.

NEARS RECORD... Denny Hester, former Torrance High distance ace, is currently competing on the Occidental Fresh squad. His best 880 timing this year was a 1:56.7 mark. He is gunning for the Oxy freshman half-mile record of 1:54.8. Hester next goes April 14 when the Bengalbabe meet the SC Fresh at Oxy's Pasternak Field.



WARRIOR ACE... George Allen, left, El Camino's top swimmer, gets congrats from Coach Harry Ferry after turning 300 yard distance individual medley event in 2:25.8 in a recent junior college tank meet. Allen's time was best this season for a Camino swimmer in the event.